

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An observation device having an ocular lens and an objective lens and adapted to observe through said ocular lens an intermediate image of an object formed by said objective lens, said observation device comprising:

a display section that is provided either on a light path connecting said ocular lens and said objective lens or on a light path branched off from the light path and displays an image; and

a light path switching section that is provided on the light path connecting said ocular lens and said objective lens and switches light to be guided from said objective lens ~~ocular lens~~ to said ocular lens ~~objective lens~~ and the image displayed on said display section to be guided to said ~~ocular lens~~ or ~~said~~ objective lens.

2. (Currently Amended) An observation device having an ocular lens and an objective lens and adapted to observe through said ocular lens an intermediate image of an object

formed by said objective lens, said observation device comprising:

a display section that is provided either on a light path connecting said ocular lens and said objective lens or on a light path branched off from said light path and displays an image; and

a light path dividing section that is provided on the light path connecting said ocular lens and said objective lens, and guides light from said objective lens ~~ocular lens~~ to said ocular lens ~~objective lens~~ and guides the image displayed on said display section to said ~~ocular lens~~ or ~~said objective lens~~.

Claims 3-9 (Cancelled)

10. (Withdrawn, Currently Amended) Binoculars having two observation devices according to Claim 1, ~~comprising the ocular lenses, the objective lenses, and one of the light path switching sections and the light path dividing sections in a right portion and a left portion, respectively.~~

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Withdrawn, Currently Amended) The observation device according to Claim 1, further comprising a display lens between said display section and one of said light path switching section and said light path dividing section—and ~~said display section.~~

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Withdrawn, Currently Amended) The observation device according to Claim 1, wherein

at least part a part or a whole of said objective lens is movable in a direction along the light path connecting said ocular lens and said objective lens.

15. (Withdrawn, Currently Amended) The observation device according to Claim 1, further comprising:

a position-changing section that is provided on a light path connecting said objective lens and said display section and changes a position of the intermediate image observed by an observer from an objective lens side in at least one of an optical axis direction and a convergent direction of eyes of the observer; and

a controlling section that controls said display section, ~~one of~~ said light path switching section—and ~~said~~

~~light path dividing section~~, and said position-changing section.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Withdrawn) The observation device according to Claim 15, further comprising a dual-purpose lens that is provided on the light path connecting said ocular lens and said objective lens and is movable in a direction along the light path, wherein:

    said position-changing section includes said dual-purpose lens; and

    said controlling section moves a position of said dual-purpose lens to thereby make focal adjustment of said observation device and change a position of the intermediate image observed by said observer from the objective lens side in the optical axis direction of the eyes of the observer.

Claims 18-19 (Cancelled)

20. (Withdrawn) The observation device according to Claim 17, comprising:

    a detecting section that detects a position of said dual-purpose lens;

a memory section that stores the position of said dual-purpose lens detected by said detecting section when the focal adjustment is made and the position of said intermediate image is changed; and

a receiving section that receives an instruction to read the position of said dual-purpose lens stored in said memory section, wherein

when said receiving section receives the instruction, said controlling section reads the position of said dual-purpose lens from said memory section and moves said dual-purpose lens to the read position.

21. (Withdrawn) The observation device according to Claim 1, further comprising an eye pad member near said objective lens.

22. (Cancelled)

23. (Withdrawn, Currently Amended) The observation device according to Claim 1, wherein at least part ~~a part or a whole~~ of said ocular lens is movable in a direction along the light path connecting said ocular lens and said objective lens.

Claims 24-29 (Cancelled)

30. (New) The binoculars according to Claim 10, wherein  
a distance between the ocular lenses of the observation  
devices is adjustable.

31. (New) Binoculars having two observation devices  
according to Claim 2, in a right portion and a left portion,  
respectively.

32. (New) The binoculars according to Claim 31, wherein  
a distance between the ocular lenses of the observation  
devices is adjustable.

33. (New) The observation device according to Claim 2,  
further comprising:

a position-changing section that is provided on a light  
path connecting said objective lens and said display section  
and changes a position of the intermediate image observed by  
an observer from an objective lens side in at least one of  
an optical axis direction and a convergent direction of eyes  
of the observer; and

a controlling section that controls said display section, said light path switching section, and said position-changing section.

34. (New) The observation device according to Claim 33, further comprising a dual-purpose lens that is provided on the light path connecting said ocular lens and said objective lens and is movable in a direction along the light path, wherein:

    said position-changing section includes said dual-purpose lens; and

    said controlling section moves a position of said dual-purpose lens to thereby make focal adjustment of said observation device and change a position of the intermediate image observed by said observer from the objective lens side in the optical axis direction of the eyes of the observer.

35. (New) The observation device according to Claim 34, comprising:

    a detecting section that detects a position of said dual-purpose lens;

    a memory section that stores the position of said dual-purpose lens detected by said detecting section when the

focal adjustment is made and the position of said intermediate image is changed; and

a receiving section that receives an instruction to read the position of said dual-purpose lens stored in said memory section, wherein

when said receiving section receives the instruction, said controlling section reads the position of said dual-purpose lens from said memory section and moves said dual-purpose lens to the read position.